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Title: DEGRADABLE POLY(ETHYLENE GLYCOL) HYDROGELS WITH

CONTROLLED HALF-LIFE AND PRECURSORS THEREFOR

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REPLY Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.